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Indonesia

Indonesia's Mount Bromo eruption prompted the revision of evacuation routes for future eruptions

Mount Bromo in East Java, Indonesia, erupted on 5 November 2026, its first eruption since 19 July 2019. The incident sent an ash column 500 metres above its summit. Probolinggo Regency's Disaster Management Agency (BPBD) remapped evacuation routes and shelters to prepare for a possible renewed eruption. The alert status remained at Level II, prohibiting residents and tourists from entering areas within 1 kilometre of the crater, while urging people to watch for sudden phreatic eruptions, which may occur without clear preceding volcanic signs.

Source: ANTARA. (2026, November 6). *East Java's BPBD remaps evacuation routes after Bromo's eruption.*

Malaysia

Heavy rainfall and severe flash floods battered several states in Malaysia

Continuous heavy rain triggered widespread flash floods across several states in Malaysia. As of 4 November 2026, severe flooding in Selangor affected major transport routes, causing a bridge in Petaling district to collapse and cut off the main route linking Kampung Kubu Gajah and Paya Jaras Hilir. The southbound lanes at the Shah Alam interchange were temporarily closed for debris clearance and safety inspections. Flooding also spread to Perak and Sarawak, and by 9 November 2026 more than 1,000 people were sheltering at relief centres in Selangor, Perak and Sarawak. Meanwhile, on 9 November 2026, a sudden water surge at Sungai Pertak in Kuala Kubu Bharu, Hulu Selangor, swept away eight visitors, leaving five people dead and three others missing as of 10 November, while search and rescue operations continued.

Source: Malay Mail. (2026, November 4). *Bridge collapses in Selangor as flash floods hit Sungai Buloh and Petaling.* Xinhua. (2026, November 10). *Malaysian authorities issue thunderstorm warning, flooding displaces over 1,000.* Xinhua. (2026, November 10). *Water surge in Malaysia's Selangor leaves 5 dead, 3 missing.*

Singapore

Flash flood advisories were issued across Singapore

The National Environment Agency (NEA) forecast heavy rain over northern, western, and central areas of Singapore on 9 November 2026, and national water agency PUB issued advisories to avoid Mackenzie Road (near Bukit Timah Road) and Lorong Gambir due to the risk of flash floods. Furthermore, heavy downpours triggered a flash flood at the junction of West Coast Road and West Coast Way the following day. PUB issued an advisory urging motorists to avoid West Coast Way and surrounding areas for the next hour.

Source: The Straits Times. (2026, November 9). *Motorists advised to avoid Mackenzie Road, near Bukit Timah, over risk of flash floods.* The Straits Times. (2026, November 10). *Temperature dips to 22.8 deg C in Scotts Road amid heavy rain, West Coast flash flood.*

Thailand

Storms heavily battered southern Thailand

As of 9 November 2026, persistent heavy rainfall over the past three days caused widespread disruption across southern provinces in Thailand, especially in Nakhon Si Thammarat. The storm brought heavy rain and strong winds to the province, toppling nearly 10 power poles in Khanom district and causing power outages. Furthermore, in Pak Phanang district, strong winds tore the roofs off several houses, leaving some homes exposed and uninhabitable, forcing affected people to evacuate. The provincial deputy governor inspected the damage, coordinated with the Provincial Electricity Authority to restore power supplies, cleared road access, and ensured that affected people received assistance.

Source: Khaosod English. (2026, November 9). *Storms batter Nakhon Si Thammarat, topple power poles and rip off roofs.*

Viet Nam

Floods damaged homes and roads in Viet Nam

Showers and scattered thunderstorms together with a weak cold air mass caused flooding across several areas in Viet Nam, especially in Lao Cai Province. Heavy rain on 7 November 2026 affected homes in the central area of Bac Ha Commune, with floodwater entering 38 homes. Flooding also disrupted traffic, while landslides and rockslides damaged several roads in the province. Furthermore, several crop-growing areas were inundated and damaged. In response, local authorities inspected affected areas, assessed damage, and followed the country's disaster response principles, including taking charge and mobilising local personnel, equipment, supplies, and logistics to deal with emergencies.

Source: Tuoi Tre News. (2026, November 7). *Heavy rain floods 38 homes, damages roads in Vietnam's Lao Cai.*

Japan

M5.7 earthquake hit central Japan, leaving at least 24 people injured

A magnitude 5.7 earthquake struck Shizuoka Prefecture, Japan, on 8 November 2026, shattering store windows, causing people to flee buildings, and leaving at least 24 people injured, mainly in Aichi and Shizuoka prefectures. The quake caused disruptions to transport and train services, delaying the Shinkansen bullet trains as potential safety risks to railway infrastructure were assessed. The meteorological agency warned people to brace for possible strong quakes in the coming week and to be aware of mudslides, falling rocks, and the possible effects from rainfall.

Source: AP News. (2026, November 8). *Strong earthquake shakes central Japan, shattering store windows and injuring at least 22.* The Japan Times. (2026, November 8). *Magnitude 5.7 quake injures dozens in central Japan.*

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